# REMARKS

Docket No.: 102314-145

## Telephonic Discussion with Examiner Ahn

Applicants' representative, Charlton Shen, thanks Examiner Ahn for the courtesies that were extended during a telephonic interview on June 27, 2007. The forms of claims 1-6, along with their pending indefiniteness rejections, were generally discussed.

#### Status of the Claims

Claims 1-30, 32-50 and 55-57 are currently pending in the present application. Claims 7-30, 32-50 and 55-57 are in an allowable form. Claims 1-6 are amended without prejudice. Applicants maintain the right to prosecute any former form of claims 1-6 in a related continuing application. Reconsideration of claims 1-6 is respectfully requested.

#### Definiteness

Claims 1-6 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph, as being indefinite. In particular, the Examiner states that given the form of claim 1, "it is unclear whether the claim is an apparatus or a method." To expedite prosecution of the pending application, Applicants amend claim 1, which is clearly an apparatus claim. Accordingly, the claim conforms with the requirements of 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph, and is patentable.

Claims 2-6 are also amended to conform with amended claim 1. Accordingly, these claims are also patentable.

## CONCLUSION

In view of the amendments and remarks above, Applicants submit that claims 1-6 are in condition for allowance, along with the previously-allowed claims 7-30, 32-50, and 55-57. Applicants encourage the Examiner to telephone the undersigned in the event that such communication might expedite prosecution of this matter.

In the event that a petition for an extension of time is required to be submitted at this time, Applicants hereby petition under 37 CFR 1.136(a) for an extension of time for as many months as are required to ensure that the above-identified application does not become abandoned.

The Director is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in the fees filed, asserted to be filed or which should have been filed herewith (or with any paper hereafter filed in this application by this firm) to our Deposit Account No. 141449, under Order No. 102314-145.

Dated: June 28, 2007 Respectfully submitted,

Charlton Shen

Registration No. 54,442

NUTTER MCCLENNEN & FISH LLP

Docket No.: 102314-145

World Trade Center West 155 Seaport Boulevard

Boston, Massachusetts 02210-2604

(617) 439-2000 (617) 310-9000 (Fax)

Attorney for Applicant

1623365.1